

The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building July 29, 2002 with the following members present: Bob Newsome, Chairman; Alvan Johnson, Vice Chairman; Russ Frey, Member; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Public Comment

Hjerda McAllister, Administrative Assistant; Mel Vanderstelt; and Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

McAllister said Loren Pepper asked for one of the commissioners to attend a radio show on roads and jobs on Saturday, August 3, 2002, 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Frey said he would attend the Roads and Jobs radio show.

McAllister said she is working on scheduling a quarterly Tri-County Meeting for the end of October.

Johnson moved to approve the minutes of July 25, 2002 as amended. Frey seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

Vanderstelt discussed the City of Manhattan wanting to expand to the north, East Marlatt to his property.

9:11 Business Meeting

Frank McCoy, Director of Community Corrections; and Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury, attended.

Frey moved to approve the bids submitted by Vulcan Signs, Foley, Alabama to supply traffic signs, resurfacing and sign face application as specified

for the low bid price of \$7,276.71 from the Road and Bridge budget. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Johnson moved to approve the bids submitted by Donalyn Company, Inc., Lancaster, Ohio to supply traffic signs and faces as specified for the low bid price of \$4,346.47 from the Road and Bridge budget. Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to approve the bids submitted by Newman Signs, Jamestown, North Dakota to supply vinyl letters, numbers, and reflective sheeting as specified for the low bid price of \$4,659.08 from the Road and Bridge budget. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Frey moved to accept Suzanne Capocasale's resignation as the Riley County board member for Pawnee Mental Health effective August 2, 2002. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 -0.

The Board of County Commissioners signed the FY 2003 Budgeted Summary for 22nd Judicial District Community Corrections and Riley County Community Corrections - 21st Judicial District.

9:30 Press Conference

Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer; Ed Grabianowski, Manhattan Mercury; Monty Wedel, Director of Planning and Development; Pat Collins, Director of Emergency Management; Erin Jechke, KMAN; and Frank McCoy, Director of Community Corrections, attended.

Vargo reported the Riley County Clerk's Office is open for Advance Voting:

July 24, 2002 - August 2, 2002	8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
August 3, 2002	8:00 a.m. - 12 (noon)
August 5, 2002	8:00 a.m. - 12 (noon).

Vargo reported 120 voters have participated in advance voting to date.

Harden reported the 21st groundwater monitoring report has been received for the Riley County landfill.

Harden reported the Public Works Department will be sealing Anderson Avenue from Tuesday through Friday this week.

Harden said volunteers staffed the Roads and Jobs booth at the Riley County Fair this week.

Harden said Saturday afternoon the brush pile at the Riley County transfer station was set on fire. The fire was not started by staff.

Harden reported due to this weekend's storm the transfer station is without power and sustained minor roof damage.

Wedel stated the Safe Room Grant Program deadline for awarding grants is September 30, 2002. Wedel said the application deadline is August 9, 2002. Wedel said 60 safe rooms have been completed through the grant program to date.

P. Collins reported the fire safety trailer at the Riley County Fair was a big hit.

P. Collins said the Manhattan Fire Department and Riley County Fire District #1 Fire Department collaborated on the Fire Safety Trailer.

P. Collins said the brush pile at the transfer station burned this weekend. P. Collins said it has not been determined how the fire started.

McCoy reported on the Governor's Juvenile Justice Conference.

McCoy reported his department is currently working with 45 youths in Riley County. McCoy said they have worked with 550 youths for the fiscal year.

10:15 Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer

Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Ralph Wahl, Madison Township; and Mike Kearns, attended.

Harden reviewed the options for failed bridge F.2 -17.0.

Wahl stated the Madison Township Board recommends replacing the low water crossing.

Johnson moved to replace crossing F.2 -17.0 with a low water crossing similar to the structure that is presently there. Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.

Johnson moved to instruct staff to prepare a resolution designating Homestead Road, located in Madison Township Road beginning at the southwest corner of section 27 -8-5, and proceeding one mile to the east to the southeast corner of section 27 -8-5, as a "Minimum Maintenance Road." Frey seconded. Carried 3 -0.

10:45 Approve Vouchers

Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services, attended.

The Board of County Commissioners reviewed the vouchers.

Frey moved to approve the following warrant vouchers for July 31, 2002:

County General	\$1,767,568.82
Project Impact	805.99
Special Prosecutor Trust	1,215.00
21 st Dist Video -Conferen	1,045.55
22 nd Dist Juvenile Serv	282.51
Riley Co. Juvenile Service	1,131.29
21 st Jud Dist Surveillanc	1,029.51
22 nd Jud Dist A dult Serv	1,489.63
Law Enforcement Center	1,211.79
Capital Improvements Fund	18,280.56
Emergency 911	15,681.73
Workers Compensation Rsrv	766.62
Solid Waste	115,398.14
County Building	4,860.92
Landfill Closure	11,020.77

RileyCoFireDist#1	12,534.71
UniversityParkW&S	2,133.76
HuntersIslandWaterDist	1,533.59
DeepCreekSewer	104.54
MoehlmanBottoms	691.89
ValleywoodOperations	2,908.04
TerraHeightsSewer	329.20
KonzaWaterOperations	294.18
ValleywoodStormwaterOpe	59.55
BarnesRoad WaterDist	145,348.03
WhartonManorRemodel	20,490.00

TOTAL..... \$2,128,216.32

Johnsonseconded.Carried3 -0.

11:00MikeKearnsandMelanieBrockington

DanHarden,DirectorofPublicWorks/CountyEngineer;andBarbara

Withee,LeagueofWomenVoters,attended.

KearnsandBrockingtondiscussedthespaceneedsofCASA.

KearnssaidCASANEEDSTOFINDFREESPACE DUE TO THE LACK OF FUNDS
ALLOCATED TO CASA.

KearnssaidCASANEEDS A MINIMUM OF 700 SQUARE FEET.

BrockingtondiscussedspacebeingallocatedintheWhartonManorfacility
forCASA.

ThecommissionersaskedforHardenandBrockingtontomeettodiscuss
locationsforCASAofficespaceintheCourthousePlazaEastOfficeBuilding.

TheBoardofCountyCommissionershaverecommendedandsignedEscapes
andAbatesforApril,May,June,andJuly,taxyear2001.

11:15 Recessed for lunch.

1:15 Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services

• Administrative Work Session

Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer; Barbara Withee, League of Women Voters; Julie Winter, Administrative Assistant; Ron Fehr, City Manager; and Jerry Petty, Director of City Public Works, attended.

Morgan discussed the dirt mining that occurred on N. 52nd Street.

Morgan discussed Riley County applying to the State for Worker's Compensation self-insurance.

Frey moved to approve Riley County's application to the State of Kansas for Worker's Compensation self-insurance. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

Morgan discussed cleaning up the Warner property in the Fairmont area.

Morgan said Michael Vincent complained that some of the trash has been placed on Riley County property. Morgan said staff will work on having the trash removed.

Johnson moved for Harden to work on allocating space on the 4th floor of the Courthouse Plaza East building for CASA. Frey seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

1:30 Ron Fehr, City Manager; Jerry Petty, Director of City Public Works; and Scott Crain, Assistant Director of Public Works/City Engineer

Dan Harden, Director of Public Works/County Engineer; Barbara Withee, League of Women Voters; Stan Morgan, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; and Mel Vanderstelt, attended.

Fehr discussed applications to the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) for the Geometric Design funds for Tuttle Creek Boulevard and East Marlatt Road for FY 2006.

Petty discussed applying for funds for geometric improvements on Tuttle Creek Boulevard and East Marlatt Road.

Petty asked the County to consider a cooperative effort with Riley County, the City of Manhattan, and the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) on the geometric improvements.

Petty said it is a \$2,000,000.00 project cost in 2002 dollars. Petty said \$850,000.00 in funding can be applied for from the State. The remaining \$1,150,000.00 would be funded from local governments. Petty said the estimated 2006 cost is \$2,668,000.00 including construction, design, inspection, and inflation factor.

Fehr said at a minimum the City would like a letter of support from Riley County.

Petty said the State should respond on the project application by the spring of 2003.

Frey moved for staff to prepare a letter in support of the City of Manhattan's application to the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) for Geometric Design funds for the Tuttle Creek Boulevard and East Marlatt Road. Johnson seconded. Carried 3 - 0.

Morgan discussed placing the question on the sale of the Memorial Hospital facility to the voters on the November 5, 2002 General Election ballot.

The commissioners spoke in favor of looking at placing the closing of the Memorial Hospital facility as a County hospital on the General Election ballot.

2:02 Johnson moved to adjourn. Frey seconded. Carried 3 - 0.